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**CALIFORNIA APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Dolce Hayes Mansion, San Jose
April 30 – May 2, 2008**

Wednesday – April 30, 2008

**I. CONVENE REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING TO ORDER IN ORDER TO
RECESS TO CCA GENERAL SESSION**

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

The following Commissioners were present: Anne Quick, Neil Struthers, Patrick McGinn, Donna Bechthold, Richard Harris, Cedric Porter, Leo Garcia, Glen Forman, Acting Chief, and David Rowan in for John Duncan.

A quorum was met.

C. Adjourn to CCA Session and Executive Session

1. CAC Executive Session to be held at 8:00 A.M., Friday, May 2, 2008.
Location TBA.

Friday – May 2, 2008

I. RECONVENE QUARTERLY CAC MEETING TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

The following Commissioners were present: Anne Quick, Carl Goff, Wayne Lindholm, Neil Struthers, Frank Secreet, Patrick McGinn, Donna Bechthold, Aram Hodess, Dina Kimble, Richard Harris, Les DenHerder, Jose Millan, Leo Garcia, Glen Forman, Acting Chief, and David Rowan in for John Duncan.

A quorum was met.

C. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting: January 24 - 25, 2008

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the last CAC Quarterly meeting held on January 25, 2008 be accepted as written. All were in favor; the motion carried.

D. Announcements

1. Darell Lawrence, CCA Chairperson reported there were 205 registered participants for the Wednesday event, 49 of which were educators; total for Wednesday's lunch was 180, Thursday's lunch was 160 and Thursday's dinner totaled about 170.
2. Chief Deputy Director, David Rowan swore in the following new CCA officers:
 - Don Davis, Chair
 - William J. Campbell, Co-Chair
 - Lionel Hernandez, Secretary
 - Jose O. Padilla, Co-Chair
 - Patrick Kington, Treasurer
 - Darell Lawrence, Co-Treasurer
 - Trustees
 - Randy Gourley
 - Jim Westfall
 - Jack Gavett
 - Frank Cuneo

E. Communications

1. Letter from Sandra Benson; Weinberg, Roger & Rosenfeld
Re: Comments on Office of Apprenticeship, Department of Labor Proposed Regulations on Apprenticeship.
2. Letter from Randall P. Borcharding, Supervising Deputy Attorney General
Re: Kern, Inyo & Mono Counties Plumbing, Pipefitter & Refrigeration/Air Conditioning Mechanic Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee vs. Cal Apprenticeship Council San Francisco County Superior Court Case No. CPF-08-508135.
3. Letter from Wylie, McBride, Platten & Runner
Re: Air Conditioning Trades Association UAC Expansion of Geographic Area of Operation/DAS Approval
4. Letter from Julian Standen, Deputy Attorney General
Re: Need for Executive Session at April, 2008 Meeting.

F. Appeals to the Council

1. Will be brought up in the Business Session

II. BUSINESS SESSION

A. Legal Matters

1. Lucy Wen, Attorney Generals Office reported that in a closed session

OATELS, Plasters Union, and the Kern, Inyo & Mono Counties Plumbing administrative appeal were discussed. No action was taken at this time as none was needed.

B. Apprentice Complaint Findings / Decisions by the Administrator of Apprenticeship

1. Acting Chief, Glen Forman reported that during this quarter DAS had 13 decisions made by the Administrator; one of which was overturned the Committee action and 12 upheld the Committee action, and four that were dismissed. There is a full report in the Chief's report.

C. Automatic Orders of the Council

Acting Chief, Glen Forman reported the following:

1. Southern California Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. Sheet Metal Unilateral Apprenticeship committee
2. Southern California Association of Builders and Contractors, Inc. Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Unilateral Apprenticeship Program.
3. San Joaquin and Calaveras Electrical J.A.C. Residential Wireman Program.

D. Notice of Appeals to the Council During the Quarter

Acting Chief, Glen Forman reported the following:

1. Ruben Guzman vs. San Francisco Carpentry Training Committee CAC Appeal 2008 – C1
2. Air Conditioning Trades Association UAC CAC Appeal 2008 – C2

CAC Chairperson, Anne Quick appointed Commissioners Les DenHerder, Dina Kimble, and Cedric Porter as the three member panel for the appeals.

E. DAS Audit Report – Rachel Freeman, DAS Senior Audit Manager

Rachel introduced Linda Knox as the new auditor for the San Francisco/ San Jose Auditor. She went on to report the each auditor has the opportunity to conduct an audit and is in the process of another one. The audit team continues to work with the Department of Finance, State Auditors and Evaluations Division to ensure the process of their work is in compliance. Rachael has been asked if the Audit Team could combine the scheduled audits for those who have several committees through out their district. She has provided a Status Report in the Chief's Report as having completed 18 Committee Audits, 26 Simplified Audits, 5 Audits are being presented at this CAC, and three reports are in the final stages of completion and expected to be completed by May 15, 2008. Four audits are in the planning stages and 26 more Simplified audits. 16 follow up audits have been completed and have closed out four of those programs as a result. She concluded her report with ensuring to everyone that the philosophy of the

Audit Team is to help the program and work with the Consultants and the seniors in the District offices as a team.

Commissioner Garcia asked if any new staff or current Auditors have field experience. Rachael assured Mr. Garcia that some of the Auditors have past experience with the Department of Labor Standards Enforcement as well as knowledgeable in report writing.

F. Old Business

1. Electrician Certification

Acting Chief, Glen Forman reported that the status on Electrician Certification on Rulemaking is closed. Glen asked everyone to periodically check the website as to when it will be in effect.

G. New Business

1. Nothing to report.

III. CAC STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Blue Ribbon Committee – Chairman Jose Millan

Chairman Jose Millan reported that the committee discussed the scope of the of the inquiry put before the committee. The Committee decided on the possible expansion of Apprenticeship Opportunities within the current Public Works structure in other areas of Public Works that are not currently explored for possibility of utilizing apprentices. The second area of inquiry would be into non-Public Works projects, including, but not limited to, residential construction as possible areas for expansion of apprenticeship opportunities. The committee also decided to meet prior to the next Apprenticeship Council meeting scheduled for San Diego. Commissioner Millan expressed the generosity of John Bullock, Carpenters Training Committee, for offering his facility in Oakland for the next Blue Ribbon Committee.

B. Standards, Rules, Regulations & Operating Procedures Committee – Chairman Aram Hodess

Chairman Hodess reported the consensus draft revision of 230.1 has been sent for review to the Labor agency. After the review is complete it will be sent to the Office of Administrative Law then a Public Hearing will be held and a vote by the CAC if recommended for approval.

IV. EDUCATION AGENCIES REPORT

A. California Department of Education – Robert Verdugo

Acting Chief, Glen Forman gave the report in the absence of Mr. Verdugo as follows:

- Letters were sent to all LEAs to inform them of the payment made on February 20, 2008 to their district or county for fiscal year 2006 – 2007 Apprenticeship Related and Supplemental Instruction (RSI)

hours. They also received information stating that the over cap rate will probably change once revisions are made to the annual report

- The dates have been set for the California Department of Education Road Show for the Fall of 2008. All LEAs and sponsors are encouraged to attend. The dates are listed in the report and will be sent to all LEAs. The dates are as follows: (see attached)

B. California Community Colleges – Barry Noonan

Commissioner Millan gave the following report in the absence of Barry Noonan.

As a result of a career technical education initiative (SB70) brought forward by Governor Schwarzenegger, a career technical education initiative (SB70), the number of grants had to be reduced from \$52M to less than \$50M because of the current fiscal budget crisis. A grant of \$1.5M is being issued for construction college. The information is on the website. Commissioner Millan wanted to let the Apprenticeship Programs aware that this is Proposition 98 dollars and will have to go to the Community College Districts who will in turn partner with local Apprenticeship Programs, High Schools and Employers to develop construction related programs for their areas. The grants are for three locations; Northern, Central, and Southern California for \$500,000each.

Yvonne de la Pena, California Firefighter J.A.C., came forward to discuss the California Budget issues. She reported that she gave a letter each Commissioner that the Firefighters put together in opposition to the proposed budget cuts. There are two budget bills that are addressed; SB1067 and AB1770 as well as AB2890. The main concern is that they are proposing to reduce the hourly rate from \$5.06 to \$ 4.74. She strongly encourages people to write letters of opposition against the budget cuts. She mentioned that over the next couple of weeks is when the lobby has to occur and the May revise will be out very soon so the letters need to be sent to the Legislators and the Budget Committees within the next couple of weeks.

V. REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATIVE and COOPERATING AGENCIES

A. Division of Apprenticeship Standards – Chief's Report

Acting Chief, Glen Forman gave the following report: Division of Apprenticeship Standards would like to thank the CCA for a great job with the CCA Conference.

DAS staffing:

Rosalba Mendez, Office Assistant, Los Angeles

Transfers to Other State Agencies:

Lisa Dinh promoted to Office Technician – Department of Corrections

It is with deep regret to report that Alice Watson-Boyd, Apprenticeship Consultant in the Los Angeles Field Office, lost her battle with cancer on

March 30, 2008. Alice had been with DAS since 2000. She came on board with prior experience in public works and soon became the local expert. She performed her work with precision and punctuality. Alice enjoyed her job and all of the Apprenticeship Committees that she served. She was a joy to work with, kind and caring; always ready to help with a genuine smile on her face. Alice will be missed by DAS and the apprenticeship community.

There is an opening for an Office Assistant in the San Francisco office. There is a pending loss in the Program, Planning and Review office in San Francisco.

CAC OPERATIONAL ISSUES

The upcoming CAC meetings will be as follows:

Third Quarterly Meeting will be held at the Hilton San Diego, July 31-August 1st. The Fourth Quarterly Meeting will be held at the Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort, October 29 – 31, 2008. The First Quarter will be held at the Radisson Hotel in Sacramento, January 29 – 30, 2008.

The Public Works

The Public Works Unit has received 159 complaints in the first quarter, 33 of which are under investigation, 59 of those are closed with notification of

legal requirements sent, 12 are closed with determination in civil penalty issued, 12 are closed without penalty, and \$44,278 was amount collected in outstanding.

In the Apprenticeship Training Fund check processing 9,634 checks were reviewed and processed and over \$2M was sent to accounting for deposit.

DAS Field Issues

Consultants received training on their new electronic equipment and will be able to report to DAS directly from their Laptops or their Blackberry during site visits and have accessibility to the most current information.

In the last quarter the Consultants have attended 48 outreach events throughout the state in addition to their other duties.

The Electronic Data Interchange; there are approximately 25% of agreement actions that are being processed electronically.

Apprenticeship Marketing Activities

Renee Bacchini, Special Assistant to the Chief gave the following report: Renee played the video for the “I Built It” campaign for those who have not seen it yet. She reported that the PSAs were sent to more than 100 Television

stations, with a mixture of English and Spanish. Approximately 25 stations are playing the video and some have offered to play them indefinitely. A radio PSA was also created. In addition, DAS is partnering with other

agencies to get the PSA out along with a poster and a tri-fold. The Employment Development Department will have the PSA's at all the One-Stop Career Centers. DAS also met with Jack O'Connell, California Department of Education State Superintendent as well as the offices of Secretary of Education and Cal Trans to introduce the PSA.

Commissioner Garcia offered Renee to hold a campaign at the San Diego AGC Training facility.

Renee concluded with speaking about the Director's Awards, that were given at the DDA dinner the previous night, and that she hopes that it will inspire others to work their way to winning this prestigious award.

STATISTICS

The active apprentices as of March 31, 2008 numbered 64,948.

New registrations and reinstatements numbered 5,399 for the quarter ending March 2008.

Minorities represented 59.4% of all active apprentices as of March 31, 2008.

Active women apprentices as of March 31, 2008 numbered 2,995 which are 04.6% of all active apprentices.

For complete report, see attached.

B. Office of Apprenticeship (OA)

Patty Garcia, U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Apprenticeship gave the following report: (see attached)

Patty commended CCA for an outstanding Conference and congratulated the newly elected officers.

C. California Apprenticeship Coordinators Association (CACA)

Darell Lawrence, Drywall Lathing JAC Bay Area, gave the following report: Due to the CCA Conference the Committee did not have a meeting this quarter.

D. California Association for the Advancement of Apprenticeship (CAAAT)

Douglas Sawyer, ABC Southern California Chapter gave the report. (see attached)

E. Women in Non-Traditional Employment Roles (W.I.N.T.E.R.)

No report given.

F. CDCR Juvenile Justice Division, Career Technical Education

No report given.

VI. Adjournment

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

